



GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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GA DOT SEEKS PUBLIC COMMENT ON STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

CARTERSVILLE, Ga. – The Georgia Department of Transportation invites the public to open houses to discuss the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The STIP is a four-year program that specifies federally funded transportation projects for non-urban communities in rural Georgia for fiscal years 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013. These projects include, but are not limited to, new construction, improvements, and maintenance for interstates and state routes, and bridges. Additional projects include bicycle and pedestrian project, transportation enhancement projects and public transit projects.

The Department will conduct two Northwest Georgia open house meetings:

Thursday, September 3, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., at the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce, located at 200 Northside Drive in Carrollton, Georgia, and

Tuesday, September 15, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., at the Georgia DOT District 6 Office at 500 Joe Frank Harris Parkway, S.E. in Cartersville.

Attendees will be able to view the Draft FY 10-13 STIP, maps of projects in the local area, discuss projects with Georgia DOT staff, and submit comments on individual projects. All interested parties are encouraged to participate.

The general public is invited to view projects planned for Bartow, Carroll, Chattooga, Dade, Fannin, Gilmer, Gordon, Haralson, Murray, Pickens, and Polk Counties. Projects for other counties in this region that are part of a Metropolitan Planning Organization (areas with more than 50,000 in population) will be available for public comment in a separate meeting, at a later date.

The Draft FY 10-13 STIP will also be available on the internet at www.georgiastip.com.

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